

Useful Gifts

You can't afford
to miss seeing
Our Line



At Hunter's

Come Early
and get the
BEST

Christmas Gifts

MAKE GOOD CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR ALL
YOU are going to give some Presents
this Xmas-Of Course

WE should be very glad of an early opportunity to show you our Clean
Fresh Stock of New and Beautiful Christmas Gifts, comprising the
choicest gathering of Holiday Merchandise we have ever offered to the
people of Henderson county.

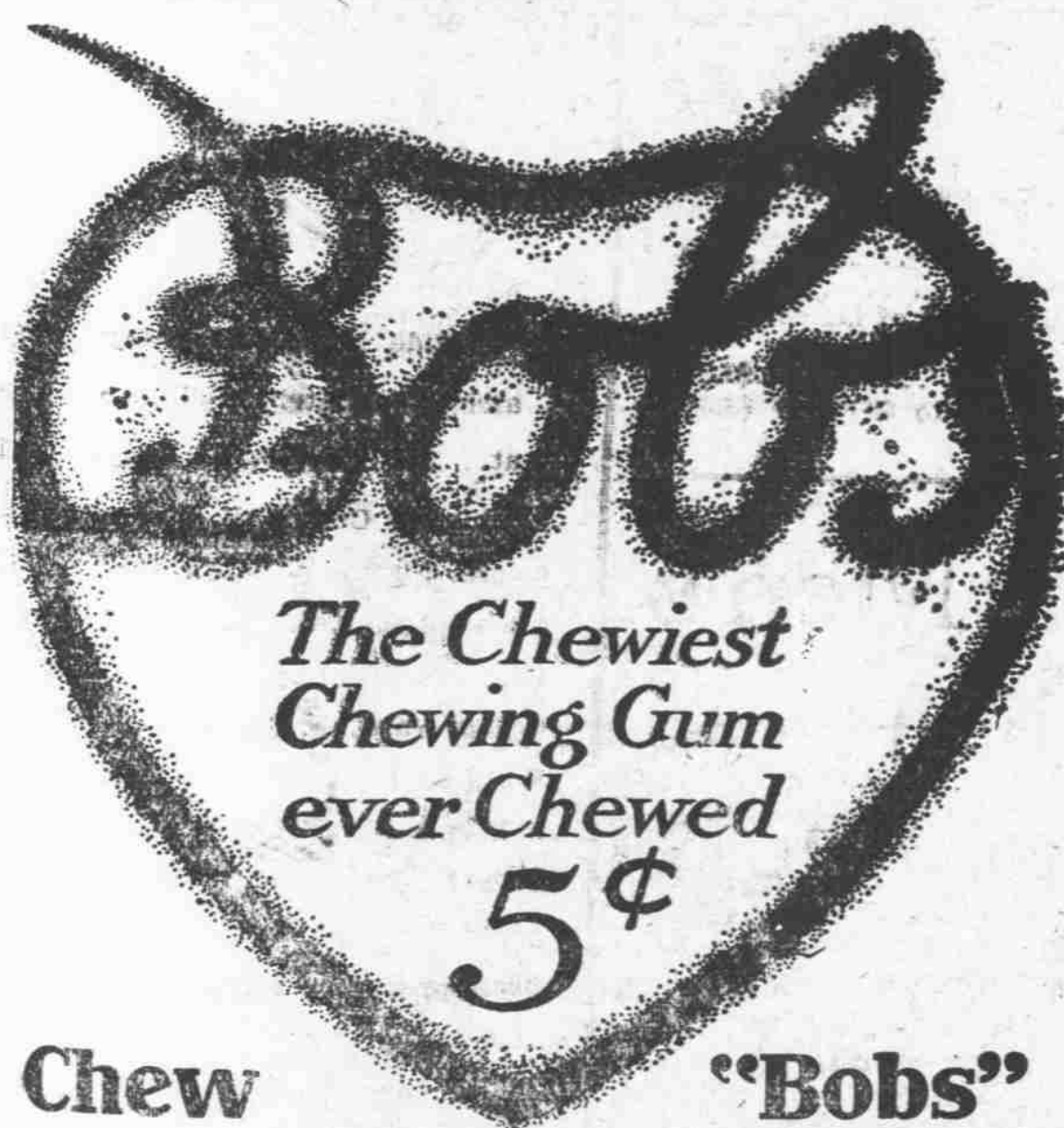
What Shall I Give? ; Here's a Nice List to Select From

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| Beautiful Toilet Sets | Ivory Buffers | Sterno Stones |
| Silver Comb and Brush Sets | Fine Pocket Knives | Tooth Brush Holders |
| Manicure Sets | Cello Water Bottles | Manicure Scissors |
| Hand Mirrors | Box Cigars, Pipe | Fountain Pens |
| Tourist Case | Cut Glass | Fine Stationery |
| Balsam Pillows | Perfumes | Safety Razors |
| Soap Boxes | Toilet Waters | Jewel Boxes |
| Cuff and Collar Boxes | Powder Puffs | Unusually Xmas Candles |
| Music Rolls | Powders and Soaps | Ivory Comb and Brushes |
| Shaving Sets | Shaving Mugs | Picture Paintings |
| Toiletries | Fine Drinking Cups | Pocket Books |
| | | Xmas Post Cards |

Free Xmas Seals and Cards with each Purchase

HUNTER'S PHARMACY

"Electric Line Corner"



The Chewiest
Chewing Gum
ever Chewed
5¢

Chew "Bobs"

5c. the packet or two "Bobs" for a
cent at all the better stands and stores.

FLIP a "Bobs" into your
mouth and smack
your lips. The fresh tingle
of peppery peppermint—
the chewiest chewing
gum heart coated with
candy.

Try "Bobs" and Keep It Up

SCHOOL FOR CONVICTS.

The putting on of moving pictures
at the State penitentiary having re-
vealed the fact that white illiterates
among the prisoners were largely in
excess of the blacks similarly dis-
qualified, a movement is on to conduct
a moonlight school for the benefit of
these unfortunates. Mrs. Meredith,
who teaches in prison Sunday school,
is promoter of this much needed ser-
vice to those for whom the State of
North Carolina is now responsible,

and having won the approval of Gov-
ernor Craig, a teacher will probably
be employed to instruct white con-
victs in the rudimentary arts of read-
ing and writing.
While it is a slight jar to racial
pride to know that prisoners of an in-
ferior race make a better showing in
intellectual attainment than those
who by nature were intended to fur-
nish an example for the weaker broth-
er, it is comforting in another way—
comforting to know that white men
of education and refinement were far

enough removed from evil tendencies,
or at least had exercised sufficient
self-control to avoid the pitfalls which
caused the negro's undoing. We
would like to have it said that no
white man who could writ his name,
and no negro too, for that matter,
with ability to understand right from
wrong, could be found behind the
prison walls of any of our state insti-
tutions. The larger the percentage
of ignorance and imbecility the great-
er the hope for the ultimate end of the
prison system. We are glad that
something is going to be done for this
too long neglected class—glad that the
State is at last becoming alive to its
duty. Success to the moonlight school
—Everything.

MORE ABOUT MYSTERIOUS LIGHTS IN MOUNTAINS.

Unusual Lights in Burke County
Come in For Considerable Publicity:
Cause of Lights Unknown.

W. W. Scott of Washington, who was
visiting in the mountains of Caldwell
and Burke counties during the past
summer, has written at length in the
Lenoir Topic concerning the mysteri-
ous lights in that section, for the in-
vestigation of which a meeting was
recently called by a Lenoir newspaper
man.

The article follows in part:

"For nearly five years reports of the
appearance of a mysterious, or unex-
plainable, light from over or about
Brown mountain, as seen from Loven's,
have been current in the State, but,
in spite of the fact these reports have
been vouched for by scores, if not hun-
dreds, of the most respectable people
in the State, public opinion, if it has
paid any attention to the matter at all,
has not treated it seriously. Calling
it an optical illusion is the mildest
form of incredulity with which the
story of the light is brushed aside,
while the usual way of laughing it
down is to call it the light that never
was seen on land or sea or to classify
it with the Statesville Landmark's
santer of a generation ago, and such
old wives tales.

Sidney Galtner Saw It First.

"Eight or nine years ago a party of
young people, fishing and frolicking at
Loven's, were on the ridges near his
hotel looking at the beautiful moun-
tain scenery as disclosed by bright
moonlight, when Mr. Sidney Galtner,
of Morganton called out to his com-
panions that he saw a bright light rise
over Brown mountain. When the rest
of the party turned to look they saw
nothing and gazed Mr. Galtner, ac-
cusing him of seeing visions. He pro-
tested that it was no optical illusion
and now contends that he was vindic-
ated by what was seen at the same
spot three or four years later and has
continued to be seen ever since.

Scores Claim to Have Seen the Light.

"Five years ago Rev. Dr. Gregory,
the Presbyterian minister at Morganton,
began occupying, for several
weeks, the cottage at Loven's which
stands on the hill above the hotel, in

full view of Brown mountain, and has
occupied it for several weeks every
summer since. He began to make
record of seeing a light rise over
Brown mountain frequently at night,
indeed, so frequently, if my under-
standing of the reports is correct, that
he saw it every fair night he looked
for it if he took the trouble to make
his observations thorough. The usual
time for the appearance of the light
is within two hours from dark. It
has been known to appear more than
once the same night; sometimes twice,
as many as three times occasionally,
and I think, it has been seen four
times in one night. It has been seen
as late as midnight, and, if one were
to sit up and watch all night, it might
be possible for it to appear in the
small hours of the morning. No thor-
ough, careful, scientific observations
have been made of it.

Characteristic of the Light.

The size of the light, as it appears
to different observers, varies; some
report seeing a light as big as the head
of a hoghead, while others see it the
size of a full moon, a toy balloon, a
man's double fist. Whether it appears
really larger at one time than at an-
other or whether these variations in
size, as reported, may be accounted
for upon the principle involved in the
appearance of the same full moon to
be the size of the head of a barrel to
one person while it appears to be only
the size of a small saucer to another,
of course I cannot determine. Some-
times it shows itself and disappears in
a few seconds; at others it remains
partly stationary, partly moving from
side to side and up and down, as long
as half a hour. Its usual course is to
rise up to a distance above the ridge
and then, whether it remains for
some time moving from side to side or
not, to descend gradually and to dis-
appear against the mountain as a
background. I think instances are re-
ported of its descending and disap-
pearing on the far side of the moun-
tain. Its appearance has always been
limited between the two ends of the
mountain, a range of six miles.

Sees It Twice.

"I spent the nights of September
8th and 10th at Mr. Loven's and saw
the light both nights. I did not ex-
pect to see it. Neither night was es-
pecially favorable for observation, the
atmosphere being smoky, though
Brown mountain was clearly outlined.
There were four of us who saw it, the
first night, Mr. Loven being one of the
party. There were three in the party
the second night. I expressed doubt
about seeing the light the first night;
Mr. Loven had no doubt about it if
the mountain remained visible, and I
may add that I felt much more doubt
about it when we started out to begin
our observation on the second night.
We watched an hour and a quarter the
first night before the light appeared.
It rose above the sky-line to the height
of two pine-tree lengths, and, descend-
ing below the sky-line four pine-tree
lengths, disappeared; then almost im-
mediately reappearing, ascended diag-
onally to the right but did not reach
the sky-line and disappeared. The
other observers noted two reappear-
ances; I was careless and saw only
one. It appeared to me the size of a
man's doubled fist; it had the same
appearance to my companions. As
sending it created the impression of a
soap-bubble, luminous but emitting no
rays; in viewing its descend I was fill-
ed with the impression of seeing a
mass of molten metal falling. Natu-
rally, its likeness to a meteor also came
into my mind, which even then, how-
ever, was quick enough to note that
it was descending too slowly for a
meteor. (In using the word impres-
sion I mean the thoughts that came
to me quick as I looked.) In the
second night the light appeared after
a wait of only three-quarters of an
hour after dusk. Besides being
smoky, as on the night before, the
weather, was drizzling rain gen-
tly, where we were, although
Brown mountain was clear. The ap-
pearance was almost exactly like that
of the first night except that it was
two miles to the right of the first ap-
pearance and there was no reappear-
ance.

What Is It?

"I was skeptical, but I saw the light.
I do not know what it is. I may bet-
ter say what I think it was not. It is
not an optical illusion, having been
seen by so many responsible people
living in all parts of the State. It can
scarcely be a Will-o'-the-Wisp or a
Jack-o'-Lantern, for the soil for six
miles along the length of Brown
mountain could scarcely all of it be of
character productive of such phenom-
ena; and it appears in all seasons
of the year. It cannot have any con-
nection with blocking from its very
nature, nor is it reasonable to sup-
pose that it is a trick of practical
jokers. It cannot be produced by the
headlight of a railroad engine for the
reasons: first, that it seems to be out
of range of any such headlight going
through the mountains; and, second,
that no headlight could throw upon
any screen (mountain side or sky) a
light of the character that I saw on
the nights of September 8th and 10th.

"I am not superstitious, visionary or
a dreamer, and while I frankly con-
fess I do not know what this light is,
I am so logical and practical in my
leanings that I am sure there can be
a reasonable and simple solution of
the 'mystery' if it is thoroughly in-
vestigated. It may or may not be a
natural phenomenon, or there may be
such a simple explanation as to make
it appear to be almost a hoax, even a
case of a mountain in labor bringing
forth a ridiculous, luminous mouse.
However that may be, I do seriously
believe that some of the scientific or-
ganizations founded by Rockefeller,
Carnegie and others may now be en-
gaged upon less important investiga-
tions than an investigation of this
light would be. If it is due to some
climate phenomenon, the weather bu-
reau would find itself interested.

"I know I can get plenty of the best
citizens of Caldwell and Burke and
of other sections of the State to cer-
tify that, to the best of their knowl-
edge and belief, all I have said above is
true, and most of them would be
willing to sign this paper with me."

DENTIST CURES PELLAGRA.

Dr. W. B. Houston, a dentist of
Monroe, N. C., thinks he has discov-
ered the cause and cure of pellagra,
and if he has he deserves a place
among the great benefactors of the
human race.

Doctors and scientific men have ad-
vanced many theories in regard to this
not yet understood and much dread-
ed disease which has claimed many
victims the past few years, especially
in the South. Since the explosion of
the corn bread fallacy and others
equally without foundation, the medi-
cal profession has been up in the air
as to the cause and treatment of this
scourge which has puzzled the best
of them.

The Monroe dentist in the course of
his practice has observed that many
diseases reveal themselves in bad
teeth, and that pellagra is one of them;
he has proven by his own satisfaction
and to that of many patients whom he
has treated, by regulating the diet,
leaving off the food that produced con-
ditions in the system indicated by the
teeth and gums. The remarkable suc-
cess of his experiments has brought
him prominently into notice, so much
so that much of his time is taken up
in answering letters and responding
to appeals from sufferers in other lo-
calities.

In support of Dr. Houston's idea,
Dr. Joseph Golberger, a United States
public health expert, after months of
investigation, announced that pella-
gra was caused by improper diet.

"Pellagra," Dr. Houston insists, is
an old disease with a new name. "Be-
fore steam power was used in naviga-
tion," he says, "sailors in taking long
voyages in sailing vessels and sub-
sisting for a long time on certain
foods, would have what was called
scurvy which in its worst form was
an up-to-date case of pellagra. We
have been erating symptoms instead

of getting at the real cause. We have
been hunting germs and bugs instead
of teaching people how to keep their
systems in a healthy condition so as
to avoid or be able to throw off dis-
eases."

Whether right or wrong in his con-
clusions the North Carolina man is
thoroughly self-convinced, referring
to the many afflicted ones now restor-
ed to health as evidence of the cor-
rectness of his diagnosis. And as
what he has done for their relief has
been without charge, and with no ex-
pectation of reward except the satis-
faction of contributing to the relief
of suffering humanity, he must be
given credit for sincerity and his sug-
gestion treated with the considera-
tion it deserves.—Exchange.

MR. GLAZENER SELLS.

(Brevard News.)

The entire stock of dry goods of G.
M. Glazener, who has been in busi-
ness in Brevard and Hendersonville
for many years, is being sold out this
week, preparatory to closing out the
business.

R. S. Fuller, who has been in charge
of the store for some time, has ac-
cepted a position as salesman with
Mr. Plummer and has taken up his new
duties. The sale of the Glazener stock
is under the direction of Mr. Glazener
himself, assisted by Frank Corriher,
of Hendersonville, and P. S. King, of
Brevard.

A LONG TRAIN.

A train of 128 cars, making a line
200 yards over a mile long, perhaps
the longest train ever hauled over the
Atlantic Coast Line, passed through
here Saturday morning en route to
Florida. The cars were all of the
refrigerator type, were empty and
are to be used in shipping Christmas
fruits northward.—Benson Review.

Annual CHRISTMAS SALE

December 10th

We will Greatly Reduce Prices of Hats

MISS M. E. WOODALL

We Want Your
Ear Corn and will
pay you full mar-
ket Price in Cash

We will base this price on Chicago
quotations with the freight added.
To-day prime ear corn is worth 74c
per bushel. If it is worth more next
week we will pay more. We also
pay cash for nubbins and field run
corn according to grade.

Henderson county does not raise
one-third the corn it should, because
there has been no regular market
where it could be disposed of at
prices it should bring. We will pay
you the same cash price that outside
shippers ask for it, and are in position
to handle your surplus at all times.
Raise more corn.

Ask your Merchant for I. X. L. Mixed
Feed for Cattle and Hogs

Hendersonville Mill Co.

Mill next to Freight Depot